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Vidyalaxmi scheme for students gets ₹3.6kcr

The Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the PM-Vidyalaxmi scheme to provide monetary support to students to pursue quality higher education. An outlay of Rs 3,600 crore has been approved for the scheme under which education loans will be facilitated to students securing admissions in top 860 Quality Higher Education Institutions (QHEIs) of the country. This will cover more than 22 lakh students every year. P9

● TRUMP BEATS WOMAN RIVAL FOR 2nd TIME ● OUTPERFORMS HARRIS IN MANY STATES COMPARED TO 2020 ● SECOND IN OVER 130 YEARS TO WREST PRESIDENCY AFTER A FOUR-YEAR GAP

DON POWER AGAIN IN U.S.

President-elect Donald Trump gestures at supporters during an election event at the West Palm Beach Convention Center in West Palm Beach, Florida, on Wednesday | AFP

This will truly be the golden age of America... I am going to stop wars

- Donald Trump, US president-elect

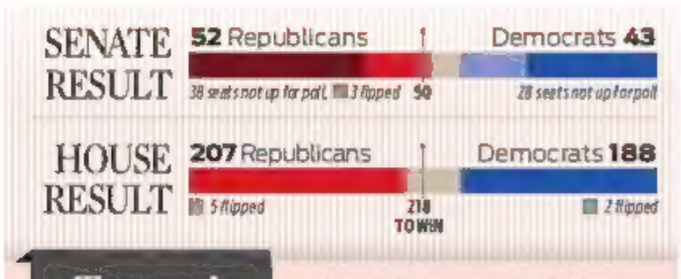
DONALD TRUMP
Total votes so far
71,895,011 (51%)

291 | **223**

270 TO WIN

KAMALA HARRIS
Total votes so far
67,020,269 (47.4%)

Harris concedes defeat, calls up President-elect Trump and congratulates him on his victory



Trump's A team

Trump's first term witnessed high turnover rate with many of his team members resigning, being fired, or reassigned. This time, he is expected to fill his Cabinet with loyalists. Here's who could be part of the Trump-Vance team in 2025

ELON MUSK
Expected to head a new entity called the efficiency commission, which will audit the government and recommend drastic reforms, including possible scrapping of entire depts

VIVEK RAMASWAMY
Helped Trump gain popularity among the young generation. Trump said he would love to have him around, heading a department: "He'll do a better job than anybody you can think of."

RIC GRENELL
Former US ambassador to Germany who also served acting director of national intelligence, enjoys good rapport with Trump. Could be considered for Secretary of State or NSA

KASH PATEL
Served in various roles in the defence and intelligence communities during Trump's first term; impressed him with ideas over security and defence issues. Could be made NSA or the CIA chief

'Samosa Caucus' gets a little bigger

AGENCIES @ Washington

INDIAN-AMERICAN lawyer Suhas Subramanyam created history by becoming the first from the community to be elected from Virginia and the entire East Coast to the House of Representatives.

He joined the 'Samosa Caucus' in the US Congress that had five Indian Americans — Ami Bera, Raja Krishnamoorthi, Ro Khanna, Pramila Jayapal and Shri Thanedar. All five were reelected.

Subramanyam defeated Mike Clancy of the Republican Party. He is currently a Virginia State Senator. "I am honoured and humbled that the people of Virginia's 10th District put their trust in me to take on the toughest fights and deliver results in Congress. This district is my home," Subramanyam said.

He had previously served as a White House Advisor to President Barack Obama. Subramanyam's parents arrived in the US through Dulles Airport in the late 1970s.

Shri Thanedar was re-elected for the second consecutive term from the 13th Congressional District of Michigan. He won it for the first time in 2023. Raja Krishnamoorthi won the seventh Congressional District of Illinois for the fifth consecutive term.

Ro Khanna who represents the seventeenth Congressional District of California and Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal, who represents the seventh Congressional District of Washington State, retained their respective seats.

Similarly, Dr Ami Bera, the senior-most Indian American Congressman representing the sixth Congressional District of California since 2013, was re-elected for the seventh consecutive term.

ZEKE MILLER, MICHELLE L. PRICE, WILL WEISSERT AND JILL COLVIN @ Washington (AP)

DONALD Trump was elected the 47th president of the United States on Wednesday, an extraordinary comeback for a former president who refused to accept defeat four years ago, sparked a violent insurrection at the US Capitol, was convicted of felony charges and survived two assassination attempts.

With a win in Wisconsin, Trump cleared the 270 electoral votes needed to clinch the presidency. The victory validates his bare-knuckle approach to politics. He attacked his Democratic rival, Kamala Harris, in deeply personal—often misogynistic and racist—terms as he pushed an apocalyptic picture of a country overrun by violent migrants. The rhetoric, paired with an image of hypermasculinity, resonated with angry voters—particularly men—in a deeply polarised nation.

"I want to thank the American people for the extraordinary honour of being elected your 47th president and your 45th president," Trump told cheering supporters in Florida.

Trump's win after a gap of four years is also spectacular in the sense that only one other American president has secured two non-consecutive terms. Grover Cleveland, the 22nd and 24th president, served as the US president between 1885-1889 and 1893-1897.

In state after state, Trump outperformed what he did in the 2020 election while Harris failed to do as well as Joe Biden did in winning the presidency four years ago. Upon taking office again, Trump also will work with a Senate that will now be in Republican hands, while control of the House hadn't been determined.

In his second term, Trump has vowed to pursue an agenda centred on dramatically reshaping the federal government and pursuing retribution against his perceived enemies.

The results cap a historically tumultuous and competitive election season that included two assassination attempts targeting Trump and a shift to a new Democratic nominee just a month before the party's convention. Trump will inherit a range of challenges when he assumes office on January 20, including heightened political polarization and global crises that are testing America's influence abroad.

His win against Harris marks the second time he has defeated a female rival in a general election.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi was among the first to speak to Trump to congratulate him. P12

Had a great conversation with my friend, President Donald Trump. Looking forward to working closely together once again

Narendra Modi, PM

Look forward to an era of a strong US under President Trump's decisive leadership. We rely on continued strong support for Ukraine

Volodymyr Zelenskyy, Ukraine President

J&K resolution seeks restoration of special status

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE newly-elected Jammu and Kashmir Assembly on Wednesday passed a resolution calling on the Union government to initiate dialogue with the elected representatives of the Union Territory to work out mechanisms for restoring special status and constitutional guarantees to the erstwhile state.

"That this legislative assembly reaffirms the importance of the special status and constitutional guarantees, which safeguarded the identity, culture and rights of the people of Jammu and Kashmir, and expresses concern over their unilateral removal," it said.

The resolution was moved by deputy J&K chief minister and senior National Conference leader Surinder Choudhary. BJP members, including the leader of opposition Sunil Sharma, opposed it.

Sharma said the resolution was not part of the listed business of the House. "Article 370 is history. Nothing is going to happen as Article 370 abrogation was passed by Parliament and supported by the Supreme Court," he said.

Amid the uproar, Speaker Abdur Rahim Rather asked the BJP lawmakers to speak. "If the opposition members do not want to speak, I will put it to vote." As the protests continued, the Speaker put the resolution to voice vote and it passed.

LOKAYUKTA POLICE QUIZ SIDDU FOR TWO HOURS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mysuru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah appeared before the Lokayukta Police here on Wednesday in connection with the alleged irregularities in the allotment of MUDA sites to his wife Parvathi as compensation for the land acquired from her for formation of a residential layout a few years ago.

The CM was questioned by a team of Lokayukta Police for nearly two hours.

Siddaramaiah, who looked composed, arrived at the Lokayukta office by a private car around 10.10 am.

After resting for a while at the government guest house in the city, he headed to the office of the Lokayukta Police. The CM's legal adviser and Virajpet MLA AS Ponnanna was with him till he was in the guest house.

Security was tightened around the office of the Lokayukta Police. All roads leading to the office were barricaded and police personnel were deployed there.

CM Siddaramaiah leaves after he was questioned by the Lokayukta police in Mysuru on Wednesday | UDAYASHANKAR S

We will answer each baseless accusation in the court. These allegations will be refuted in time

Siddaramaiah, CM

Threat call to Salman: Man from Raj nabbed in Haveri

AMIT S UPADHYE @ Haveri

HAVERI police on Wednesday arrested a 32-year-old man from a house here for allegedly making a threat call to actor Salman Khan.

The accused, **Bhikharam Bishnoi**, a resident of Jalore in Rajasthan, had also allegedly demanded money from Khan during his phone call. Haveri police were tipped off by the Anti-Terrorism Squad of Mumbai, which is investigating the threat calls made to the actor.

A Mumbai Police team arrived in the city on Wednesday and apprehend the accused with the help of Haveri police. The team raided the house where the accused was with two others. P5

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Gowda, BSY share stage for Nikhil | P4

Sri Siddaramaiah
Hon'ble Chief Minister
Sri D.K Shivakumar
Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister
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PROPERTY TAX ARREARS UNDER OTS & SAVE
OTS
ENDS ON
30th November 2024
Pay @ https://bbmptax.karnataka.gov.in
ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLE
Tax Arrears Under OTS
• Property Tax Arrears : Rs.25,000/-
(Unpaid Since 2019-20)
• Interest : Zero
• Penalty : Rs. 100/-
Tax Arrears Payable : Rs. 25,100/-
(Until 30.11.2024)
Tax Arrears after OTS
• Property Tax Arrears : Rs.25,000/-
(Unpaid Since 2019-20)
• Interest : Rs.13,500/-
• Penalty : Rs.25,000/-
Tax Arrears Payable : Rs. 63,500/-
(After 30.11.2024)
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